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The reply filed on December 6, 2008 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant did not elect a single invention. Applicant states that the claims have been amended to a group believed to conform to the requirements of unity of invention. However, Applicant did not define variables D, R¹, Y, T and W in the manner as shown in Restriction Requirement dated November 30, 2007. For example, a specific embodiment embraced by the currently amended claims is as follows: **D** is thiophenyl; **R¹** is hydrogen; **Y** is an optionally substituted phenylene; and **W** is $-\text{[C(R}^2\text{)]}_n\text{CONR}^2\text{[C(R}^2\text{)]}_m\text{}$. See 37 CFR 1.111.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

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